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[] the explanation provided on the attached sheet.

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[] submission of the enclosed International Search Report.

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[] Applicant requests that the following non-published pending applications be considered:

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